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In the Office Action of 26 January 2005, the Examiner: (1) allowed claims 11-16, 18-21, and 23-30; (2) objects to claims 32, 43 and 47; and (3) finally rejects claims 31, 33-42, 44-46 and 48. With respect to the rejected claims, the Examiner specifically relies on US Patent No. 5,595,441 to McGee to support a §102 rejection. At this time reconsideration of the Examiner's the rejected claims that have not been withdrawn is respectfully requested. At this time the Examiner's rejections of the balance of the rejected claims is traversed in favor of issuance of a patent for the allowed claims.

Claims 11-16, 18-21, 23-31, remain pending in this application.

Claim 31, 41 and 46 has been amended to reflect independent forms of claims 32, 43 and 47 respectively which the Examiner made an indication of allowability. Claims have been amended to place them in independent form.

Claims 32, 42, 43 and 47 have been withdrawn in this application in favor of the allowed claims and will be further prosecuted in a continuation application.

All pending claims are now in a form for which the examiner has indicated allowability.

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The applicant believes that the foregoing fully responds to all outstanding matters, respectfully submits that all remaining claims are in condition for allowance, and respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued so the present application may swiftly pass to issuance.

Should the Examiner have any questions or desire clarification of any sort, or if it would facilitate a fair and efficient favorable disposition the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number listed below to schedule a telephone conference to discuss the application. Please reference Attorney Docket No. KNGT001US0.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. If an extension is necessary please consider this filing a request for extension. Applicants have attached a Fee Calculation sheet. Additionally the Applicant's attorney hereby authorizes the

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Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2726 of Fortkort Grether + Kelton
LLP for any additional necessary fee required by this Response.


RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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